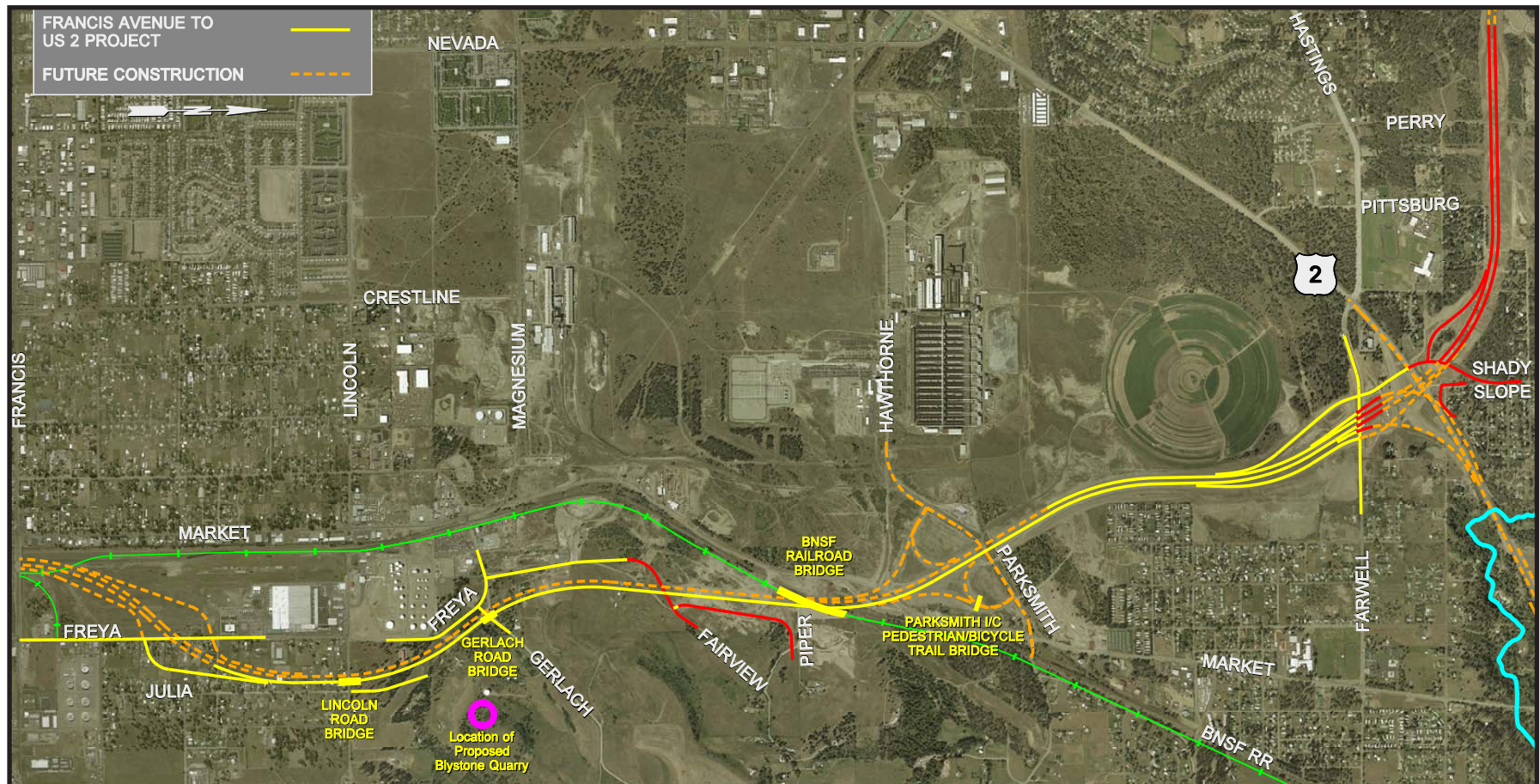


## FRANCIS AVENUE TO US 2 - GRADING & PAVING CONTRACT



### Contract Description:

This contract will provide a drivable link from Francis Avenue to Farwell Road by completing earthwork, realigning Freya Street from the vicinity of Fairview Road to Francis Avenue, and paving northbound NSC lanes from Francis Avenue to Farwell Road. This project includes the bridges at: Lincoln Road, Gerlach Road, BNSF Railroad tunnel, and the Parksmith Road Interchange Pedestrian/Bicycle Trail Bridge.

**Planned Advertisement Date:** Fall 2006

**Contract Funds:** \$45.1 million, updated in 2006 Legislature's "Nickel" package - All Nickel funds

### Interesting Facts:

- This contract completes the first drivable section of the North Spokane Corridor and will be open to traffic late 2008 or early 2009.
- This 4.4 miles of drivable roadway requires 100,000 square yards of cement concrete pavement.
- Includes modification of the Williams natural gas line.

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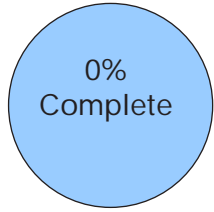
Current Status:



## Design



Right of Way  
delivered  
separate from  
Contract



## Construction



Progress:

The Region is evaluating dividing this contract into two smaller sized contracts in order to be competitive in the bidding process, solidify the design of the BNSF tunnel, and to be flexible within the available funding for the project. Dividing into two smaller contracts will not affect the opening of the drivable segment scheduled in late 2008 or early 2009, as long as full funding is available.

Portland Cement Concrete Pavement (PCCP) was approved for use on the project in May 2006, by the Pavement Type Selection Committee per the Life Cycle Cost Analysis (LCCA) recommendations. Preliminary plans for the bridges at Lincoln and Gerlach Roads have been submitted to Region and returned to HQ Bridge and Structures in early June 2006. The Geotechnical office has submitted the final grading report for the contract on June 5, 2006. The Spokane County Hearing Examiner approved the rezone for the proposed Blystone Quarry property in December 2005. That decision was appealed and heard before the Board of County Commissioners on March 14, 2006. The re-zone was remanded back to the Hearing Examiner due to errors in the County notice of hearing procedures. A new hearing took place on May 28, 2006 with a decision from the Hearing Examiner pending. The design team has met with all affected utility companies within the project limits. These companies are beginning their preliminary design work for the relocation of their facilities. The final Hydraulic design is being prepared and will be turned into Region in July 2006.

Right of Way has purchased 75 out of 92 parcels on the contract. There are five parcels remaining in appraisal and two parcels in condemnation.